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MINUTES OF MEETING
State Board of Education
January 17, 2002

The January meeting of the State Board of Education was held in Des Moines on January 17, 2002.

The Board's business meeting was held at the Grimes State Office Building, State Board Conference Room. Board members Corine Hadley, Gene Vincent, Charlie Edwards, Sally Frudden, Gregory McClain, Mary Jean Montgomery, Don Roby, Kay Wagner and John White were present. Also present were Department director Ted Stilwill and Department staff Gail Sullivan, Lee Tack, Ann McCarthy, Judy Jeffrey, Jan Friedel, Carol Greta, Kathi Slaughter, Beverlee Adams, Michelle Tosel, Karen Poole, Sandra Renegar and Dwight Carlson, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Education and Services. Also present were Troy Dannen, Iowa Girls' Athletic Union, Dave Harty and Rick Wulkow, Iowa High School Athletic Association, David England, President of Des Moines Area Community College and Dale Froehlich, DMACC board member.

President Corine Hadley called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

It was moved by Sally Frudden and seconded by Kay Wagner to approve the agenda as written.

COMMUNICATION

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Board Member Reports

Gene Vincent – No report

Mary Jean Montgomery indicated the Iowa Innovative Leadership Preparation Program Initiative was in search for a director. Montgomery updated the Board on the Iowa Partnership for School Leadership Consortium.

Don Roby reported briefly on the Community College Council meeting. Roby indicated his excitement about the approval of North Iowa Area Community College Sports and Fitness program and the innovative approach used for this project to come to fruition.

Kay Wagner said she had attended Senator Tinsman's education meeting in Scott County and the major topic was again budget concerns. Wagner indicated she had also attended the Area Education Agency board meeting and the Area Superintendent's Meeting at which six legislators were in attendance.

Greg McClain reported he had been unable to attend the last I-Jag meeting which was held in Waterloo. He shared information that John Deere was discussing a possible meeting with Iowa Department of Education and Illinois Department of Education staff members to talk about educational and workforce needs.

McClain also reported that the NASBE Changing Faces of American Children Committee report would soon be released.

Charlie Edwards gave an update on the Education Roundtable chaired by Nolden Gentry.

Sally Frudden stated that one of the Board goals was to improve student learning and achievement. She had visited an elementary school which had demonstrated success in moving from the lowest to the highest ranking in test scores in their area education agency.

John White – No report.

Corine Hadley expressed congratulations to Charlie Edwards for his appointment as Dean of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Drake University. She reviewed the discussions at the legislative reception and any changes that might be considered.

President Hadley asked for State Board Retreat planning committee volunteers. Selected were Kay Wagner, Chair; Greg McClain and Sally Frudden.

Director's Report

Director Stilwill reported on the following items:

- He had attended the Elementary Secondary Education Act legislation signing with the Secretary of Education. A follow-up meeting with the

Chief State School Officers was held at Mt. Vernon to review the implementation of the ESEA legislation.

- He indicated that information on the Governor's January 18 budget release would be sent to Board members.
- Stilwill discussed that the legislative timelines for this session had been moved ahead as a result of the shorter session.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

The minutes of the November 14, 2001 State Board of Education meeting were approved.

Program Approvals

The following new vocational programs were approved:

1. Postsecondary College Parallel/Career Option program through North Iowa Area Community College – Sports and Fitness Administration/Management
2. Secondary program through Southeast Polk Community School District – Automotive Mechanic
3. Secondary program through Southeast Polk Community School District – Carpentry
4. Secondary program through Southeast Polk Community School District – Drafting
5. Secondary program through Southeast Polk Community School District – Industrial Equipment Maintenance and Repair
6. Secondary program through Southeast Polk Community School District – Industrial Manufacturing Technology

Rules: School Budget Review Committee Uniform Waiver, Chapter 289

281 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 289 "SBRC Uniform Waiver" was approved for Notice of Intended Action.

Rules: Rescind Standards for Practitioner Preparation Programs and Standards for Graduate Practitioner Preparation Programs, Chapters 77 and 78

The rescission of 281 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapters 77 and 78 was approved for Notice of Intended Action.

Religious Groups Exempted from School Standards

Renewal requests for 45 religious groups requesting exemption from the compulsory education and school standards laws under Iowa Code section 299.24 were approved.

Paraeducator Preparation Program Approval

The paraeducator preparation program submitted by Great River AEA 16 for five years was approved.

**Rules: Chapter 36 - Extracurricular Interscholastic Competition
Chapter 37 – Extracurricular Athletic Activity Conferences for Public School Districts
Chapter 17 – Open Enrollment**

Dwight Carlson, Athletic Organization Liaison and Carol Greta, Legal Consultant, presented information on these rule changes. Mr. Carlson introduced Troy Dannen, Iowa High School Girls' Athletic Union, Rick Wulkow and David Harty, Iowa High School Athletic Association who were also in attendance for this presentation.

Executive Order 11 brought the two athletic organizations together with Department representatives to recommend the proposed rule amendments. The proposed amendments enhance the opportunities available to otherwise-eligible transfer students without prejudicing other students or their schools, as well as eliminate discretionary interpretation of the rules. Iowa Administrative Code, 281--Chapters 36, 37, and 17 rule changes were proposed to update and to make the enforcement of the athletic rules uniform for all male and female athletes. A lengthy discussion was held about changes in the language of these rules and their effect.

Motion: It was moved by Mary Jean Montgomery and seconded by Greg McClain to approve the Notice of Intended Action for Chapter 36, "Extracurricular Interscholastic Competition", Chapter 37, "Extracurricular Athletic Activity Conferences for Public School Districts and Accredited Nonpublic Schools" and Chapter 17, "Open Enrollment," with the removal of Chapter 36.14(7), Item 4.

Vote: The motion carried unanimously.

Iowa Teaching Standards

Judy Jeffrey, Administrator, Division of Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education presented Chapter 83, Teacher Quality Rules for Notice of Intended Action. Jeffrey indicated the Department was required to establish model criteria for the standards. A workgroup was formed that represented many stakeholders affected by the standards. Dr. Tom McGreal had served as consultant for the project.

Motion: It was moved by Sally Frudden and seconded by Gene Vincent to approve Chapter 83, Teacher Quality Rules for Notice of Intended Action with the deletion of “2003” in Chapter 83.4(9).

Vote: The motion carried unanimously.

Update: State Board Priorities

Administrator Judy Jeffrey discussed the management of the State Board priorities by the Department Divisions. Jeffrey indicated the priorities for school year 2001-2002 had been established at the June State Board Retreat. The Department reviews the research and current status of the priority, and makes recommendations relative to the possible future direction of priority areas. A detailed assignment of the priorities and responsible divisions was handed out and a strategic plan agreement was shared to show how the process works.

Leadership Development

Sandra Renegar, Administrative Consultant, and Judy Jeffrey, Administrator, Division of Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education presented an update on the progress of the State Board recommendations for leadership development in Iowa.

Renegar reviewed the Director of Education’s Recommendations to the State Board of Education for Education Leadership Development. The following topics were discussed:

- Education Administration Program Approval Process
- Local School District Responsibilities
- Area Education Agency Responsibilities
- Leadership Initiative Implementation
- State Board of Education and Board of Educational Examiners Collaborative Responsibilities

Vocational Rehabilitation Services Strategic Plan Progress Report and Discussion of Funding and Program Performance

Dwight Carlson, Administrator, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services reviewed for the Board how the vocational rehabilitation program is federal/state funded (78.7% federal funds matched by 21.3% non-federal funds). Carlson indicated that upon receipt of a referral, an application for services, and determination of eligibility, the client is provided vocational rehabilitation services in preparing for, securing, retaining, or regaining employment. He gave a brief report of the work completed and the work in progress on the following action plans:

- Strengthen partnerships
- Implementing the Workforce Investment Act and Ticket to Work program
- Maintain and develop employer relationships and develop a comprehensive placement plan
- Develop and implement a comprehensive program and service assessment system
- Conduct a review of services and programs; Conduct a review of agency organization and structure
- Develop short and long range staffing plan
- Optimize resources to achieve DVRS Mission
- Develop/implement short and long-range technology plan

Mr. Carlson also shared with the Board data on funding and program performance.

Iowa Community Colleges' Year-End Report Summary – 2000-2001

Janice Friedel, Administrator, and Evelyn Anderson, Consultant, Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Preparation identified the process of data collection by the Management Information System electronic data files.

Board members indicated the improvement that had been made in the data. Don Roby expressed his appreciation for the continued community college cooperation provided in collecting more detailed information for the benefit of the colleges and the Department.

Condition of Iowa Community Colleges – 2001

Administrator Janice Friedel, Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Preparation, reviewed the purpose of the Condition of Iowa Community College report. Friedel indicated that Iowa's 15 community colleges offer thousands of credit and non-credit courses. The 2001 Condition of Iowa Community College report will review community college programs and related services. The report is supported by Management

Information System (MIS) data, as reported by Iowa Community Colleges to the Iowa Department of Education, and additional references, which are identified in the body of the report. Data is based on Fiscal Year 1998-1999 (the first year of Management Information System (MIS) reporting), Fiscal Year 1999-2000, and Fiscal Year 2000-2001.

Progress Report: “Shaping the Future: A Five-Year Plan for Iowa’s System of Community Colleges” – Coordination of Statewide Responses by the Iowa Department of Education

Janice Friedel, Administrator, Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Preparation introduced this report in response to the State Board of Education’s Policy Development Agenda. Ms. Friedel discussed the following goals outlined in meeting this plan:

- **Goal #1 – Iowa’s system of community colleges will provide high quality, comprehensive educational programs and services accessible to all Iowans.**
- **Goal #2 – Iowa’s system of community colleges will develop high-skilled workers to meet the demands of Iowa’s changing economy.**
- **Goal #3 – Iowa’s system of community colleges will maximize financial and human resources to assure provision of comprehensive community college services to Iowans and to allow Iowa to compete on a national and international level.**
- **Goal #4 – Iowa’s system of community colleges will demonstrate effectiveness and efficiency for achieving the system mission and goals.**

Director Stilwill handed out a list of proposed topics for the March meeting.

President Corine Hadley adjourned the meeting.

Corine A. Hadley
President

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Director

